When Christopher Frealy was 4-and-a-half months old, he was diagnosed with optic nerve hypoplasia, schizencephaly and spastic quadriplegia, which means he has very thin optic nerves, is missing a section of his motor cortex and has low muscle tone. Chris’ parents, Anne and Todd, had to learn to balance daily therapy sessions in addition to their busy work and home life schedules.

“We did not know if he would ever be able to sit, walk, talk or comprehend anything,” said Anne.

When they heard about the Blind Children’s Center (BCC), founded by Delta Gammas in 1938, for the first time, they felt like they had a clear path ahead.

“BCC was the net that caught us,” Anne said.

Chris, now a second-grader, will soon graduate from the school a very different kid from when he started there in 2007, in part, at least, to the dedicated Delta Gamma volunteers and donors.

“The BCC taught us that it was OK to dream big for our son and that he could adapt to a world that didn’t seem so accommodating.”

Each year, the Center serves approximately 100 children who are blind or visually impaired and provides support services to more than 350 family members. The Center is one of four schools founded by Delta Gammas for children who are blind. These four schools each received $25,000 grants from the Foundation this year.
"Many parents weren’t aware of sororities and now everybody knows what Delta Gamma is about...Delta Gamma means good ladies coming here to help us."